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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**  
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**Waiver of Restriction on Assistance to  
the Central Government of Uzbekistan**

Pursuant to Section 7031 (b)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (Division I, P.L.112-74) (“the Act”), and Department of State Delegation of Authority Number 245-1, I hereby determine that it is important to the national interest of the United States to waive the requirements of Section 7031 (b)(1) of the Act with respect to Uzbekistan and I hereby waive this restriction.

This determination and accompanying Memorandum of Justification shall be reported to the Congress, and the determination shall be published in the *Federal Register*.

*May 7, 2012*

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Date

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